

App. No. 10/685,954
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REMARKS

This communication is in response to the Office Action dated June 6, 2007, which indicates that the Amendment filed by the Applicant's Representative on April 16, 2007 was not fully responsive to the previous Office Action dated November 13, 2006.

In the Office Action of May 12, 2006, the Examiner identified five patentably distinct species (Figures 1-6a, Figure 6b, Figure 6c, Figure 6d, and Figure 6e) of the claimed invention, and required that the Applicant elect a single species to be examined. In the response filed June 12, 2006, the Applicant elected the species of Figures 1-6a, identified claims 1-5 and 14 as readable on the elected species, added claims 15 and 16 which were also identified as readable on the elected species, and subsequently canceled claims 6-13 without prejudice.

Claims 1-5 and 14-20 are currently pending in this application. In an amendment and response filed on April 16, 2007, claims 1-5 and 14-16 were identified as "Currently Amended" and claims 17-20 were identified as "New." The Applicant respectfully submits that all the claims amended or added in that response are readable on the previously elected species of Figures 1-6a. As such, claims 1-5 and 14-20 identified as "Previously Presented" in the Listing of the Claims included in this Response are readable on the previously elected species of Figures 1-6a.

CONCLUSION

In view of the above, the Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of pending Claims 1-5 and 14-20.

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